



Thomas Leonard Tillett

March 27, 1938 - March 5, 2014

Frankfort - Thomas Leonard Pops Tillett, Sr., 75, won his fight against pulmonary fibrosis and recent diagnosis of lung cancer when God peacefully called him home with his family by his side on Wednesday, March 5, 2014. Mr. Tillett was born on March 26, 1938, in Frankfort, Kentucky and was the son of the late Frank and Gladys McHatton Tillett.

He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Shirley Parker Tillett and his three children; Kimberley Holloway (Barry) of Frankfort, Thomas L. Tillett, Jr. (Paula) of White Pine, Tennessee and Melinda Stephens (Mitch) also of Frankfort; five grandchildren, Brandon Muravchick (Julie), Justin Muravchick (Leslie), Thomas L. Trae Tillett III (Tosha), Matthew Parker Stephens (Kim), and Mollie Stephens; three great grandchildren, Makayla and Emilee Muravchick and Levi Stephens; and Chigger, his Teacup Yorkie. He is also survived by two brothers, Cecil Tillett, Billy Ray Tillett; two sisters, Elizabeth Spaulding and Frankie Lee Penn; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Earnest Tillett and three sisters, Lottie Mae Harney, Betty Louise Powell and Wanda Jo Tillett.

Upon completion of service in the Marines, Mr. Tillett began a career in printing. He worked at the Kentucky State Police Print Shop, Investors Heritage Print Shop, was part owner of Roberts Printing Company and was

the T of T and N Printing. After a successful career in the printing industry, he retired from the Kentucky State Police Facilities Security.

Mr. Tillett served many roles in his community. To name a few, he was a Deacon at First Baptist Church and presently a member of Forks of Elkhorn Baptist Church. He served as a Cub Scout Master, member of the Frankfort Civitan Club and was a Kentucky Colonel. He was most proud of serving his country in the United States Marine Corp and was a former officer of the Marine Corp League and volunteered with the Young Marines of the Marine Corp League.

In addition to being a loving husband and a wonderful and supportive father to his children, Pops was always there for his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Whether it was cheering at a ball field or professional wrestling match event, or attending chorus concerts and dance recitals, and was always looking for a good fishing hole.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 8, 2014, at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home with Rev. Todd Lester officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will be at the funeral home on Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday morning from 10:00 a.m. until the service at 11:00 a.m.

Pallbearers are Pops five grandchildren, Brandon, Trae, Matthew, Justin and Mollie. Honorary bearers will be his three great grandchildren, Makayla, Emilee and Levi, his best friend, Willie Moore and the Marine Corp League.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy are encouraged to Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Leonard Tillett*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. At this difficult time please remember the Bible’s promise at Acts 24:15, ‘There is going to be a resurrection.’ May the God of all comfort, comfort you in all your trials. 2 Corinthians 1:3,4*

Amy Smith - March 10, 2014 at 11:56 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss and I pray the Good Lord will shine his white light on you and see you through this very hard time. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Ellen Gotshall and Family - March 06, 2014 at 11:10 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at the loss of Tommy. He was a fine man and will be greatly missed.*

Denny and Jan Lyman - March 05, 2014 at 10:30 PM